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Hearing to Responding to Long Term Unemployment

Please include my story. I was laid off in July, 2008 from a large real estate law firm. I was a closing coordinator representing banks in real estate transactions. We did not close sub-prime loans, but we represented many of the lenders who either went out of business, or their pipeline reduced greatly. I have been looking for a position now for two years. No one is hiring. Without a Tier 5 of unemployment benefits, I am afraid my family will lose our house. As soon as I received my unemployment checks, I immediately paid utilities and the mortgage. I am afraid of foreclosure and ending up on welfare. Please help. Please extend unemployment, but most importantly, create jobs!!

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